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THE STAR WILL PRINT THE OFFICIAL REPORTS OF THE BOARD OF HEALTH AS IS CUSTOMARY IN TIMES OF EMERGENCY SO THAT THERE MAY BE NO DOUBT AS TO THE STATUS OF THE PREVALING DISEASE. THESE REPORTS, WHEN THERE IS OCCASION FOR THEM, WILL BE MADE TO THE GOVERNOR AND ISSUED BY HIM TO THE PRESS AT NOON AND AT 4 P. M. IT WILL NOT BE THE POLICY OF THIS PAPER TO PUBLISH MERE RUMORS, THE BEST ANTIDOTE FOR WHICH WILL BE THE OFFICIAL STATEMENTS, MADE AFTER A FULL INVESTIGATION OF THE FACTS.

## THE SUMMONS TO BATTLE.

The call for duty is as clear now as it was in the late fall of 1899 when the first cases of bubonic plague appeared, and to which the white citizens of Honolulu responded to the last man. The city was districted, cleaned and policed and the plague, which resulted in about eighty deaths, was kept from rising to the proportions of a great epidemic as it might well have done in earlier years.

With yellow fever on shore we are now in a more serious plight than we were twelve years ago. Bubonic plague is a disease of filth. People who keep clean are pretty safe from it, but yellow fever is borne to the clean man as easily as it is to the filthy one. The fever-bearing mosquito is no respecter of persons. The sturdy man of business at his mahogany desk, the communicant in church, the lounge in the club, the babe in the cradle, the passer-by in the street—any one of these is in peril of his life if bitten by the infected insect.

The one sovereign duty now is to make war on the daylight mosquito. The work is for all hands, not alone for the Board of Health. One chief requisite is to let in the sunlight. Grounds that are dense with shade should feel the blows of the salutary axe. Another is to deprive the day mosquito of its breeding places among which are sodden house-gutters and certain plants that hold water. The third is to kill such mosquitoes wherever they are found and to make a more common use of wire-screens for houses. If there is any use in spreading fly-paper, in or out of doors for day mosquitoes, that should be done. In infested houses some good might come of bulach fumigation. But the doctors say that sunlight is the best antidote; the fever bearing mosquito can only live in the shade.

One prime requisite is to keep cool and sober. "Next to being a white man," said Dr. Currie yesterday, "the one in most peril is the drinking man." And everybody knows what comes of a scare. One may worry himself into susceptibility to the disease he fears. Pluck is a medicine for all the ills that flesh is heir to. Sometimes it is the best medicine.

At the meeting at the Governor's office yesterday all those present were impressed with the prompt, intelligent and vigorous measures already taken by the Board of Health. Whatever criticism this paper has made of the Board it has always admitted that, in emergencies, that body rises to the need. To Dr. Pratt and his co-workers the Star tenders its full and hearty support in this crisis; although it cannot forego the hope that the danger will induce the United States to take charge of sanitation here and thus relieve us of a burden Hawaii can ill afford to bear. In 1899-90 Treasurer Damon's surplus of \$2,000,000 was used up in four months. What could we do now to meet a similar call?

## PULITZER AND THE WORLD.

The late Joseph Pulitzer made the second great landmark in American journalism. The first one was made by the senior James Gordon Bennett. Before the day of this journalistic pioneer the American press had followed from colonial times, two British models—the serious, staid and ever decorous one of news-presentation or the angry vengefulness of the political pamphleteer, or both together in discordant union. The New York Herald, which Bennett founded, was never staid nor especially decorous and it cared nothing for political distinction. It wanted cynical, satirical "human interest" news articles and on the editorial page it rarely paused to instruct but amused, diverted or shocked. Always and ever the paper was full of enterprise and if it beat its contemporaries at that, the Herald was perfectly willing to let them have the labored essays and the column editorials. This method pointed the way to the really successful business journalism of Mr. Bennett's era; and he, of all the great publishers, was the only one who got rich.

In 1883, Mr. Pulitzer invented yellow journalism. He had been a poor immigrant, and once, while walking about back of his new World building, with his managing editor, Colonel Cockerell, he pointed to an assemblage of night-stalled trucks, among which or under which he used to sleep. From New York he had gone to St. Louis where he became a reporter and where eventually he built up a paper of his own and got moderately rich. With his money he returned to New York, the scene of his early hardships, and bought the moribund World, the most valuable asset of which was its Associated Press franchise.

The World had been a paper for scholars. It was the best-written daily in New York excepting the Evening Post. Originally it had been a religious organ. The World's editor, before Mr. Pulitzer came, was Manton Marble, who ought to have had a British environment. He was a library man, a learned pundit, one who had small tolerance for mediocrity, and he considered journalism as a larger academic lecture room. Naturally the commercial, driving, money making, materialistic city of New York was no place for him.

Pulitzer made a paper in one day which no old reader of the World could recognize except by the stereotyped name. The World of Tuesday differed completely from the World of Monday. It was like another planet. To get the freshest and liveliest news, to give it startling headlines, to illustrate it, to spend money on it without pausing to think of the cost and to illuminate the whole with short crisp editorials which were independent in tone as no other editorials in America had ever been—these were the Pulitzer canons. Then there was the dominant idea of doing things for the public. At the start the World raised \$250,000 to supply Bartholdi's statue of Liberty Enlightening the World, with a granite pedestal. By its zealous pursuit of civic thieves it achieved lasting reforms in municipal government. It conducted great charities. And in the political field it got distinction as the one paper which did the most to elect Cleveland President and beat Blaine. Before very long the World led, and it was by following and trying to surpass its methods, that the subsequent Hearst papers waxed great and prosperous.

For over fifteen years Mr. Pulitzer has been nearly if not quite blind but he has directed the World's policy with all his own skill and became many times a millionaire. He was at sea when he died and it was not a very far cry backward from the cabin of his luxurious yacht to the massed trucks in Park Row where, rolled in a horse blanket, he had slept the nights of his impoverished youth.

Whatever the official failings of the Manchus may be, the race is far and away the best one in China. It has the northern virtues, is healthy, strong, hardy and stalwart. A few Manchus work in Hawaii and the planters say they never had better men.

Yuen Shi Kai is making good as a general and may turn the tide against the rebels before Sun Yat Sen has time to make another collection.

If these are going to be yellow fever times you will want the Star. Subscribe now and get the bigger paper, which will soon appear.

We do not think it probable that the fleet will come while yellow jack is here, but it may pass on its way to waters nearer China.

Flying rumors give good chances for wing-shooting.

## Uncle Walt The Poet Philosopher

The highwayman of olden days was wont to haunt the lonely ways, upon his prancing steed, and when a traveler came by, the robber said: "Shell out or die, and show your highest speed!" And having swiped the pilgrim's roll, he galloped off, gay, jaunty soul, some damsel fair to see; a little while he went his way, and then upon some dismal day he graced the gallows tree. The robber of these modern times don't ride the highway for his dimes, or flourish blunderbuss; he has a handsome, gilded hair and by his wiles entices there some unsuspecting cuss. And then he sells the victim shares in wireless fakes and other snares, in moonlight and blue sky. For him no gallows creaks and groans; he robs his victims of their bones and winks the other eye. I like the old-time robber best; he had a bold heart in his breast, his life was in his hand; and even on the scaffold he was finer than the crooks we see in this knave-ridden land.

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WALT MASON.

## LITTLE INTERVIEWS

G. J. BROWN—Every time there is a good prospect for the tourist season, something turns up that spoils everything.

DR. CLARK—The new immigrants who are expected to arrive next month are said to be a fine lot of men, women and children.

BILL JONES—Why not declare three days public holidays and have everybody start out with coal oil cans to do up the mosquitoes?

A. P. TAYLOR—A great many good stories are lost by reporters taking the explanations of interested persons about occurrences the truth of which never gets into the papers.

JOHN O'Rourke—I'd like to see a race for madden horses at the next Maui meeting. If a purse of \$500 were put up there would be at least eight entries and Hawaii's would be among them.

C. G. BALLENTYNE—This thing of taking the gutters from the houses is a very important matter—in fact the public does not appear to realize its importance—and I intend to have the gutters removed from my house forthwith.

A. J. DERBY, D.D.S.—The authorities are certainly very, and wonderfully, considerate of this "yellow fever" guard. Ahopoko, when they allow him to go to his own bed, that he might be taken ill with all the comforts of home.

REV. W. D. WESTERVELT—I am told that the members of the Bank of

Honolulu staff are directed to bathe their faces and hands with lavender water before starting on their duties. It is said to prevent mosquitoes from biting. If this is a fact it should be generally known.

CHARLES REEVES—I believe that an agent of the board of health has been along Sixth avenue, Kaimuki, telling householders to deposit their garbage outside their houses for removal. He hasn't been to my place but that's probably on account of it's being situated a little off the avenue.

J. J. WILLIAMS—Mosquitoes breed in the old wooden gutters on the houses. Just dig as I do—bore a hole through the gutters and thus drain them. The same with iron gutters. I have 300 feet of gutters on my house and outbuildings and attended to them this morning. To take them off would have cost me \$200.

C. G. BALLENTYNE—It seems that the great source of danger is in the Japanese steamers plying between South and Central American ports and the Orient calling at Honolulu. Would it not be possible for arrangements to be entered into with the merchants who supply these steamers with coal and provisions, and the water department supplying them with water, to refuse these supplies and thereby prevent these ships from calling here, as the traffic between those South American ports and Honolulu is of no object to this port other than the sale of those supplies? In other words, boycott those ships as a matter of self-preservation.

## LOOTED THOUSANDS

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were found, including such articles as stickpins, rings, brooches, hand-painted plate, batpins, silverware, lenses, thermos bottles, Chinese and Japanese vases, cloisonne ware, manicuring sets, clocks, watches, etc.

Yesterday about \$120 worth of miscellaneous goods were removed from the store of John Effinger on Bishop street, where they had been placed on consignment by Lau Kit.

There is still left at this store, which is occupied by the South Sea Curio Company, a lot of stickpins and some valuable jade rings which Mr. Wichman has been unable to identify. Lau Kit has confessed to stealing the stuff in question and says that he has no more hidden away, but that he has sold at different times considerable of Wichman's property to other people. He says that his salary didn't cover his expenses and that he was compelled to steal in order to properly provide for his wife.

**Effinger's Side.**  
John Effinger said this morning that just as soon as he read in the paper yesterday of the robbery he telephoned to Arthur Wall of Wichman & Co. and told him that Lau Kit had placed a lot of stuff on consignment with him and invited him to come right over and see if he could identify any of it.

Lau Kit had been in the habit of leaving stuff with him to be sold on a 25 per cent commission basis. He told Effinger that he received some of the stuff from China and that he manufactured the rest on the premises of St. Elizabeth's chapel, where he had a lathe, and with the consent and permission of Wichman. He also said that he was going to open a jewelry store in the near future and that he might as well do a little business through Effinger meanwhile.

According to Effinger, he has sold about \$50 worth of goods left by Lau Kit during the last six months.

**Merle Johnson Talks.**  
Merle M. Johnson, treasurer of the Wichman company, said this morning:

"The Advertiser has exaggerated the thing a good deal. There were no diamonds whatever stolen. The \$750-

tem we had of keeping track of these was such that there was no chance of their being taken. There were a few gold rings stolen, but the total value of everything was not so high as stated by the Advertiser. Also we are pretty sure we have recovered about everything Lau Kit got away with.

"The Advertiser said there was \$300 or \$400 worth of goods found at Effinger's. There was only \$118 worth. Besides there were some goods the boy claims he made himself, also some belonging to Tai Loy Co. where he was working.

"We have not taken an inventory yet, but the total value will not be nearly so much as reported."

McDuffie has certainly handled the matter in masterly style considering that he was only called in on the case on Saturday afternoon. It will be remembered that he did similarly good work in the big jewelry robbery at the Seaside Hotel, for which a man named Johnson is now doing time, and in which case thousands of dollars of missing jewelry were located and returned to their rightful owner.

After being ill for some time, Secretary E. A. Mott-Smith's little daughter Margaret, aged one month and twelve days, passed away on Saturday night. The body was cremated and the funeral held yesterday.

## SHIPPING

Honolulu Due Thursday.

A wireless received by Castle & Cooke yesterday from the Honolulu states that she will arrive here next Thursday with ten passengers, seventeen bags of mail and 5000 tons of cargo for Honolulu. Part of the cargo for this port consists of 10,000 feet of lumber, fifty-seven mules and horses and 100 sheep. The Honolulu has eighty-four tons of cargo for Kaimuki, 750 tons for Kailua, 635 tons for Port Allen and 765 tons for Hilo.

**Chiyo Arrives Tomorrow.**  
The Chiyo Maru from San Francisco will arrive early tomorrow morning and probably sail late in the afternoon for the Orient. She has the mainland mail, and will dock at the Alakea wharf.

Fine Job Printing, Star Office.

## GOWNS BEFORE CROWNS.

PARIS, Oct. 9.—The widow of James Henry Smith of New York has arrived here. She was asked about the report that she has in view the purchasing of the crown of Portugal for her son-in-law, the Duke of Vizeu. She replied that the family was far more anxious about gowns for the baby than they were about kingly crowns.

## BY AUTHORITY

RESOLUTION  
No. 582.

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of Supervisors of the City and County of Honolulu, Territory of Hawaii, that the General Fund Appropriations contained in Resolution No. 525 be reduced to the following amounts, as follows:

	Per Month.	Two Months.
Maintenance of Ewa Road District.....	\$440.00	\$ 881.00
Maintenance of Wai- alua District.....	620.00	1,240.00
Maintenance of Wai- anae Road District.....	250.00	501.00
Maintenance of Koo- laulua Road Dis- trict.....	790.00	1,580.00

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the City and County Clerk notify the several Road Overseers to this effect.

Introduced by Supervisor  
S. C. DWIGHT.  
Honolulu, October 27, 1911.

At a regular adjourned meeting of the Board of Supervisors of the City and County of Honolulu, Territory of Hawaii, held on Friday, October 27, 1911, the foregoing Resolution was passed on First Reading and ordered to print on the following vote of the said Board:

Ayes—Amama, Dwight, Kruger, McClellan, Murray. Total, 5.  
Noes—Arnold, Low. Total, 2.  
D. KALAUOKALANI,  
City and County Clerk.

## PROCLAMATION.

Arbor and Conservation Day.

The practice, now widespread on the mainland, of setting aside one day each year as Arbor Day, began in Hawaii six years ago. Since then, here as well as elsewhere, the larger movement for the conservation and development of all natural resources, of which Arbor Day represents only one phase, has made great progress. Two years ago, in consequence of the quickening of the public conscience and interest in these matters and the practical results therefrom in the inauguration and extension of active work along these lines, the scope of the day was enlarged.

Accordingly, I hereby designate Friday, the 10th day of November, 1911, as ARBOR AND CONSERVATION DAY for the Territory of Hawaii, and recommend that on that day appropriate exercises be held in all the schools of the Territory and that a part of the day be devoted to the planting of trees and shrubs.

GIVEN under my hand and the Great Seal of the Territory of Hawaii, at the Capitol in Honolulu this 28th day of October, A. D. 1911.

By the Governor.  
(Seal) W. F. FREAR.  
E. A. MOTT-SMITH,  
Secretary of the Territory.

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## The Wireless

office is open every night until eleven for the receipt of ships messages. Others messages received on week day from 7 a. m. to 5:30 p. m. and on Sunday from 8 to 10 a. m.

## HOUSES FOR RENT.

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Beretania street, 4 B.R. .... 65.00  
Waikiki, 2 B.R. .... 35.00  
Kinau St., 3 B.R. .... 50.00

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Rd., 3-BR. .... \$25.00  
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Karratti Lane 3 B.R. .... 35.00  
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Wildier Ave., 4 B.R. .... 25.00  
Lunalilo St., 3-BR. .... 40.00  
Kaimuki, 8th av., 3-BR. .... 30.00  
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St. 3, B.R. .... 45.00  
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